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LET A KILLER ESCAPE?**

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♪ NIGHTWING... ♪

A MAN WHO
DOESN'T KNOW HIS
OWN DESIRES IS
DROWNING.

AND
A DROWNING
MAN WILL PULL
YOU DOWN
WITH HIM.

NIGHTWING...

WAKE UP,
WINGLESS
WONDER.

WELCOME TO
THE **SUNKEN CITY**
OF BLÜDHAVEN.

BACK IN THE DAY,
WHEN BLÜDHAVEN'S
SOLDIERS RETURNED
FROM THE BIG WAR, THEY
ALL NEEDED A PLACE
TO LIVE.

THERE WAS
LOTS OF MONEY...
FOR CONTRACTORS
WHO LIKE TO CUT
CORNERS.

THESE
HOUSES WERE
BUILT RIGHT ON
BLÜDHAVEN HARBOR...
ON **ERODING**
GROUND.

ONE DAY,
BOOM! THEY ALL
SLID INTO THE SEA.
THE CONTRACTOR
NEVER FACED HIS
DAY IN COURT...

BUT, BOY, I MADE
SURE HE GOT WHAT
HE **DESERVED!**

IT WAS THE
CORRUPTION IN
HIS HEART THAT
UNDID HIM.

DON'T YOU
WANNA KNOW
WHAT RESIDES DEEP
INSIDE **YOUR**
HEART?

I KNOW YOU'RE **OBSESSED**
WITH ME, **JUDGE**. BUT YOU
SHOULD SPEND MORE TIME
WORRYING ABOUT YOUR
WARDROBE.

I'M NOT
GOING TO **QUIT**.
NOT UNTIL YOU'RE
FINISHED.

WELL, NOW, YOU
HAVE **FAILED** TO
STOP ME **BEFORE**.
ONCE WHEN YOU
WERE **ROBIN**...

...AND THE
SECOND TIME,
TOO. DON'T YOU
REMEMBER?

OR MAYBE...
WE DON'T LIKE
TO TALK ABOUT
THAT?

COULD IT
BE...YOU NEVER
EVEN TOLD
BATMAN?!

MAYBE
YOU'VE BURIED
IT DOWN, DEEP
WITHIN
YOURSELF...

IS HE MESSING
WITH ME?

DOES HE RECOGNIZE
ME FROM YEARS AGO?

I WASN'T
NIGHTWING
YET...

...AND I WASN'T
ROBIN EITHER.

I WAS JUST REGULAR
DICK GRAYSON,
HUDSON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE STUDENT.

TAKING A SEMESTER
AT BLUDHAVEN
COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL.

HAVING A HARD
TIME FITTING IN
WITH THE LOCALS.

DID YOU
HEAR ABOUT THE
MURDERS ON THE
WHARF LAST
NIGHT?

DUDE--
IT'S THE SEA
BUTCHER!

OOOOH, DID
THE KILLER LEAVE
BEHIND SEAWATER
FOOTPRINTS?!

NO WAY.
HE ONLY COMES
OUT WITH THE
SEA SMOKE!

NO,
HE COMES
WHEN RED TIDE
HAPPENS DURING
HUNTER'S
MOON--

TRYING TO FIGURE
OUT WHO DICK
GRAYSON WAS.

I SPENT SO MANY YEARS
PUNCHING AND KICKING...

I HAD
TO LEAVE
GOTHAM.

...I NEVER
HAD TIME TO
GRIEVE. IT WAS
ALL CATCHING
UP TO ME.



Missed you at the
air show last weekend.
I do hope all is well.
Sincerely, Alfred

Where do they keep
the spare toilet paper
in the mansion?

Hey, stranger, how
the heck is college
life???

Yooooooo where the hell
are you, pal? Should I
kinda worried? You've
been like a ghost since
you left for college.

if you don't stop
ignoring I am gonna
really hurt you...

Dude...I suck

I WASN'T
HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
DICK ANYMORE.

AND KORY--

EEEEEEEE!

I HEARD SCREAMING.
I RAN TOWARD IT.

OLD HABITS.

IS IT
OVER? DID
I DO IT?

A-ARE THEY
DEAD?

I CAN'T
CH-CHECK...



I DIDN'T
WANT TO KILL
THEM. BUT HE
P-PROMISED I
COULD BE
FREE.

FREE
FROM THE
PILLS.

AM
I FREE
NOW?!

NOT THAT IT
WAS ANY OF MY
BUSINESS. NOT
ANYMORE.

EVERYONE
OUT, NOW!

THIS
IS A CRIME
SCENE--OH MY
GOD...

THE STING OF
SALTWATER HIT
MY NOSE...

I COUNTED THE
BODIES TO STOP
MY BLOOD FROM
RUNNING COLD.

SEAWATER
FOOTPRINTS?!



NEWS SAID ALL THE VICTIMS WERE PART OF A SMALL-TIME NARCOTICS RING ON CAMPUS.

THE PROFESSOR SUPPLIED THE PILLS, THE STUDENTS SOLD THEM.

ANOTHER DRUG DEAL GONE WRONG. CASE CLOSED.

THE MURDERER, JILL, SHE...

BUT HE PROMISED I COULD BE

...SHE HAUNTED ME.

I TRIED TO DISTRACT MYSELF WITH HOMEWORK--

Director Jacob de Witt presided over the first Dutch colonial court in what is now known as Blüdhaven.

Under a large oak tree nicknamed "the Justice Tree," he--

--BUT THAT WAS A MISTAKE.

WERE THOSE REALLY SALTWATER FOOTPRINTS AT THE MURDER SCENE?

THE IDEA WAS RIDICULOUS.

THE SEA BUTCHER, a local Blüdhaven legend, has terrorized children's dreams for hundreds of years.

Allegedly living at the bottom of the harbor, the Sea Butcher causes bloody mayhem on dry land, trailing saltwater footprints--

I TOLD MYSELF I WAS NOT GETTING INVOLVED.

BUT I KNEW
BETTER.

SUDDENLY, I WAS
RUMMAGING AROUND
IN MY CLOSET FOR
WORKOUT GEAR...

...AND TAKING TO
THE ROOFTOPS...

...HOPING I COULD
FIND SOMETHING
THE COPS MISSED.

I KNEW JILL FROM
AROUND CAMPUS.
A NICE GIRL FROM
CENTRAL CITY.

YEAH, SHE
GOT MIXED UP
WITH DRUGS,
BUT...

...THAT
DOESN'T
MAKE HER
A SPREE
KILLER.

THE STORY
DIDN'T FIT.

"12B"? COULD
HAVE BEEN
ANYTHING.
BUT THE
COPS WERE
FOCUSED ON
THE DRUG
ANGLE...

AND THEN
THERE WAS
THE
SEAWATER
FOOTPRINT.

I HAD TO
SEE WHAT
IT WAS
REALLY
MADE OF.

WELL, IT
SURE WAS
SALTWATER.

AND THE SILT
WAS CONSISTENT
WITH BLÜDHAVEN
HARBOR. BUT...

THE MICROBES. YOU DON'T FIND THEM WITHOUT BLUE WHALES. A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP.

AND BLUE WHALES WERE HUNTED OUT OF BLÜDHAVEN OVER 200 YEARS AGO.

"...TERRORIZING CHILDREN'S DREAMS FOR HUNDREDS OF YEARS."

COULD...THE SEA BUTCHER BE REAL?

THERE WAS ONLY ONE PLACE TO FIND OUT. THE HARBOR...

...WHERE I QUICKLY FOUND WAREHOUSE 12B.

OKAY, FINE. YOU'RE RIGHT. I BROUGHT THE PILLS IN. SO WHAT. THE KIDS MADE MONEY AND HAD A GOOD TIME.

FAKE PHARMACEUTICALS FROM OVERSEAS, DONOVAN. BAD CHEMICALS IN THOSE PILLS.

NOT ENOUGH TO ROB THEM, YOU HAD TO POISON THEM, TOO.

HEY, THEY WEREN'T INNOCENT EITHER! THAT PROFESSOR HAD, LIKE, EIGHT STUDENTS SELLING PILLS ALL OVER CAMPUS.

WITH EYES UNCLOUDED, I CAN SEE CLEAR TO YOUR HEART. YOU DIDN'T WANT THE MONEY.

YOU WERE GIVING AWAY THE PILLS TO THE PROFESSOR. YOU WANTED AN IN ON CAMPUS. WITH THE COLLEGE KIDS.

YOU MISS BEING YOUNG. YOU'RE TIRED OF BEING OLD.

S-SO? IS THAT A CRIME?

I CAN MAKE YOU FEEL YOUNG AGAIN, DONOVAN.

BUT YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME, FIRST.

THAT'S THE DEAL, DONOVAN PARKER...

NO!



I GOT A G-GUN--

DON'T BOTHER. I'M DANCING WITH HIM.



VERY WELL--



SLOPPY.



CARELESS.

STOP!



OUT OF PRACTICE.



BUT I WAS A KID LAST TIME I SAW HIM.



AND I HAD PICKED UP SOME NEW TRICKS.



DROP IT, JUDGE.

YOUR PLEASURE CRUISE ENDS HERE!



BUT I--
HURK!



THOSE
WERE COLLEGE
STUDENTS--



KIDS!



AND
JILL--YOU
RUINED HER
LIFE, TOO!



HUFF!

HUFF!

HEH...
I WASN'T
EVEN
THERE.



YOU CAN'T
PROVE ANY-
THING.

YOU MADE
HER DO YOUR
DIRTY WORK
FOR YOU!



VERY
WELL--



KRSSSH



I HAD HIM.



THEN I
LOST HIM.



I SEARCHED
FOR HOURS.

NO BODIES.

NOTHING.

LIKE HE
DISAPPEARED AT
THE BOTTOM OF
THE HARBOR.

I BLEW IT.

FOR A SECOND
TIME.

AND FAILURE
IS DEATH.



BUT
YOU DIDN'T FAIL,
DICK. YOU SOLVED
THE CRIME. LIKE
YOU ALWAYS
DO.



I WAS
RECKLESS. I
RUSHED IN. LIKE
I WAS **ROBIN** ALL
OVER AGAIN.

IF I HAD
JUST WAITED...
GOD, I'M **SORRY**
TO CALL YOU
LIKE THIS.



DICK...
WHERE'VE YOU
BEEN? WE'RE ALL
WORRIED ABOUT
YOU.

EVEN
YOU? EVEN
AFTER...?



OF
COURSE,
DICK.

KORY.
I'M **SORRY**
THAT I--



STOP, DICK. IT'S IN
THE PAST. WE'RE
NOT **TOGETHER**
ANYMORE,
BUT...

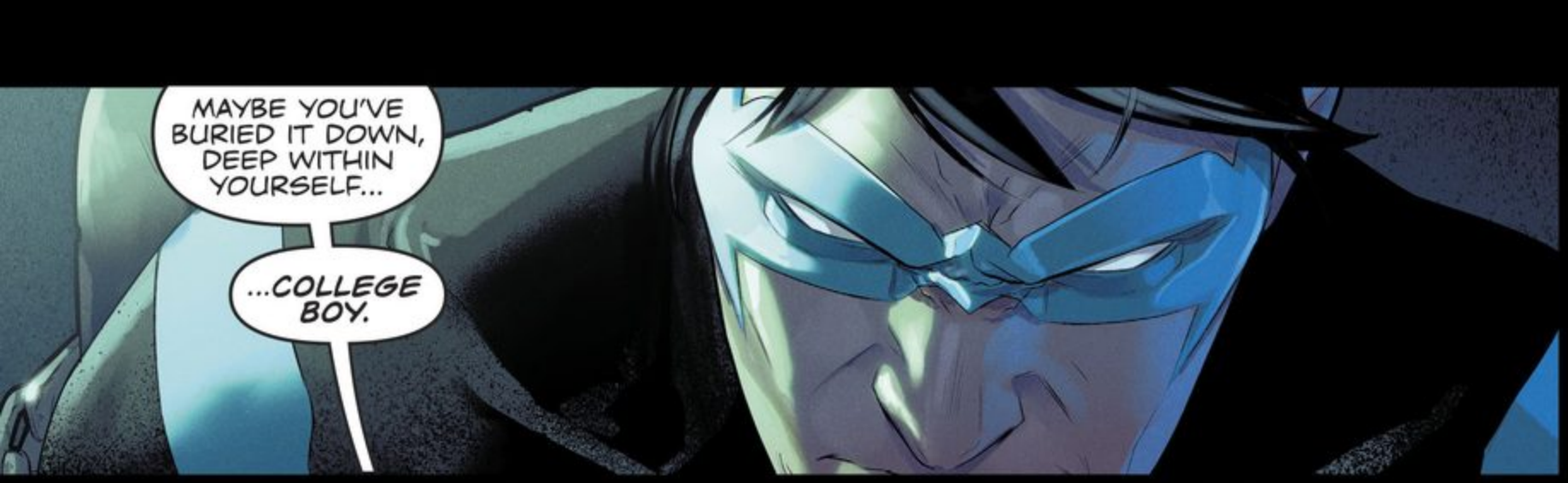
...WHEN YOU WERE
THE LEADER OF THE
TEEN TITANS, YOU
NEVER GOT ANGRY
IF SOMEONE MADE
A MISTAKE.

WHY
CAN'T YOU BE
FORGIVING WITH
YOURSELF?

SORRY,
KORY, I--

I HAVE
TO GO.





"I CAME TO
THE COLONIES FROM
THE NETHERLANDS
IN THE 1600s...

"...TO SERVE
AS A JUDGE
IN THE NEW
WORLD.

"I BROUGHT
LAWS AND
JUSTICE TO
BLUDHAVEN.

"I WAS AN
EXCELLENT
JUDGE, AT
THAT. UNTIL
A KILLING
UNDID ME.

"IT WAS
CLEAR WHO THE
KILLER WAS. AN
ARISTOCRAT.

"A MAN OF POWER
AND INFLUENCE.
BUT I REFUSED
TO BACK DOWN.

"SO THEY TOOK
CARE OF ME.



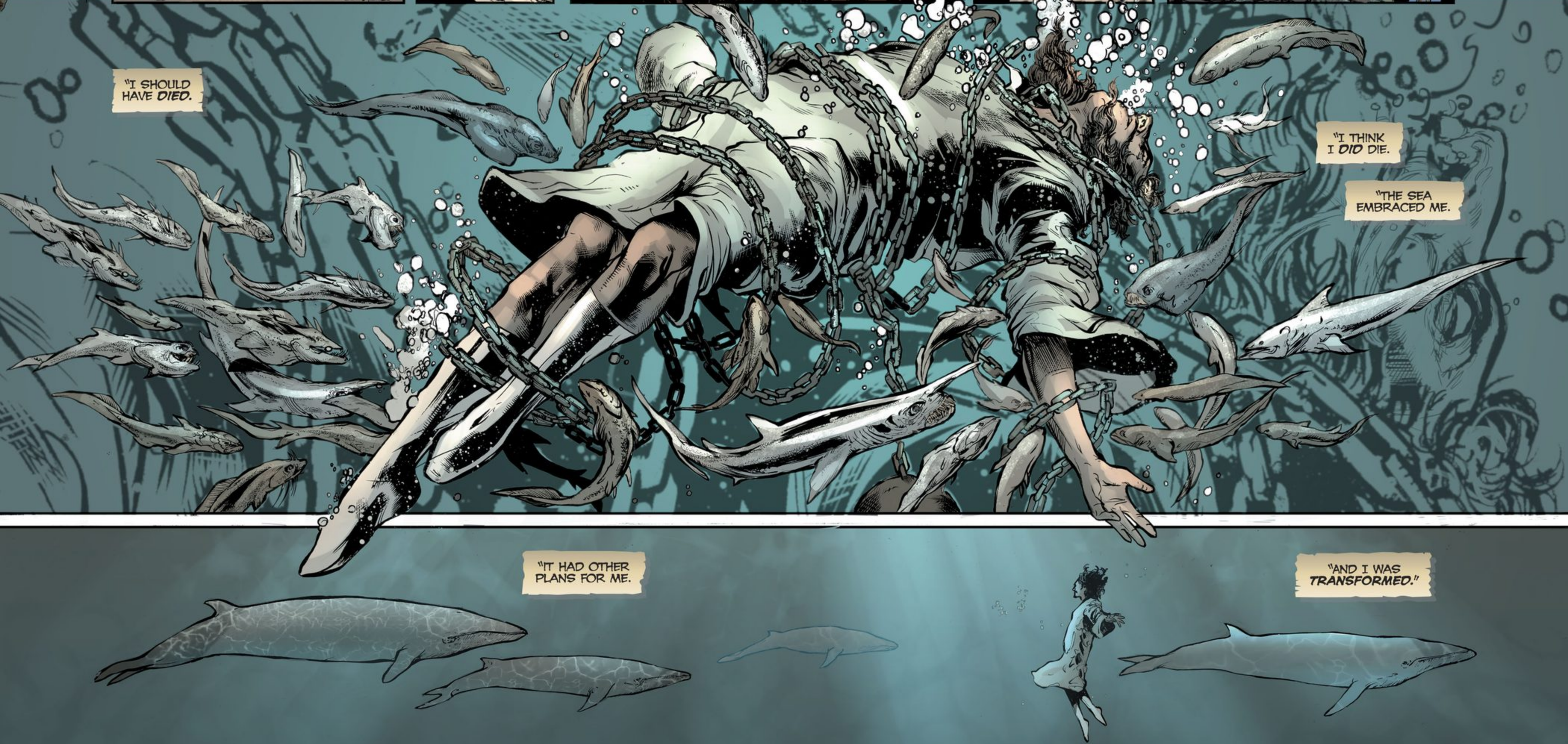
"I SHOULD
HAVE DIED.

"I THINK
I DID DIE.

"THE SEA
EMBRACED ME.

"IT HAD OTHER
PLANS FOR ME.

"AND I WAS
TRANSFORMED."





"WHEN I RETURNED,
DECADES HAD
PASSED.

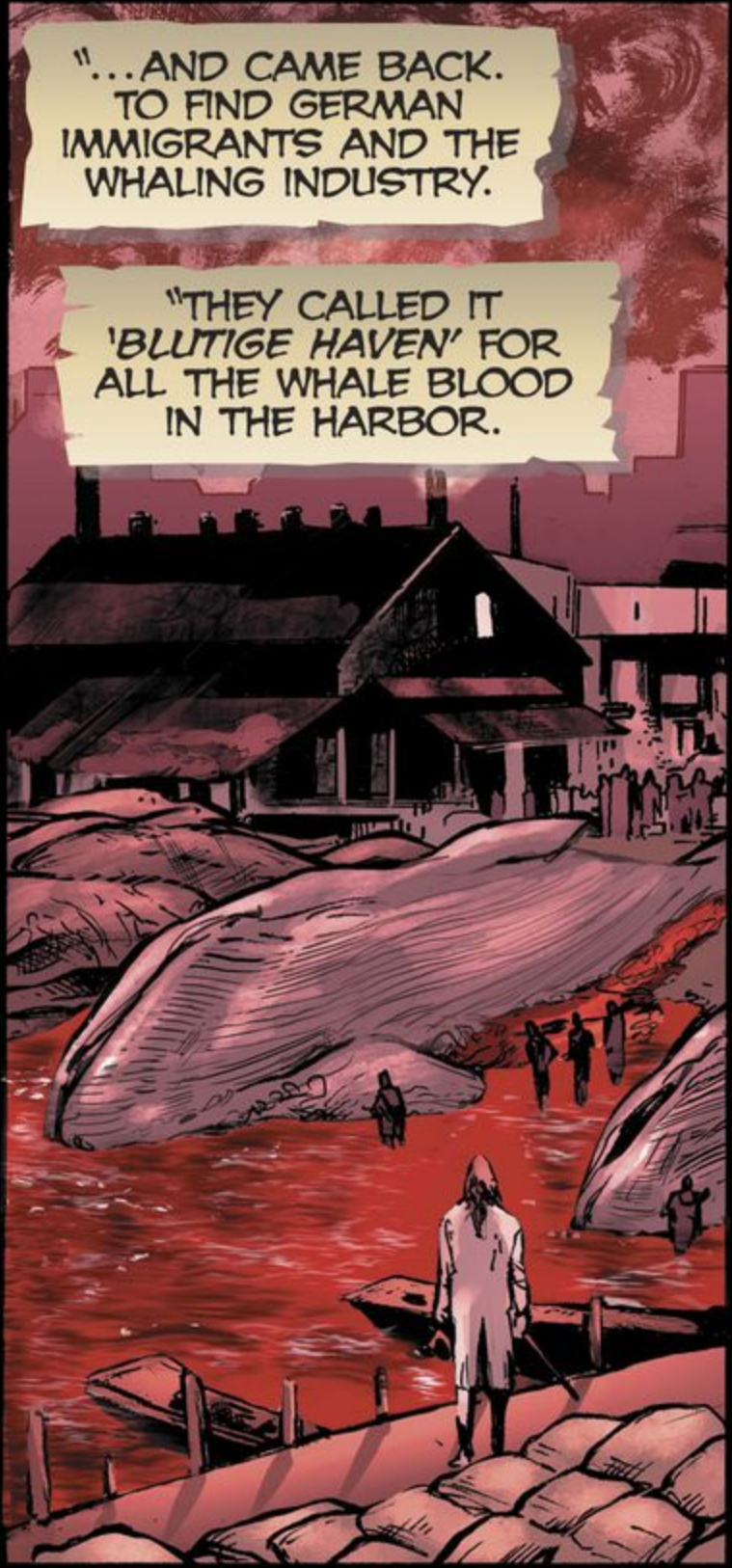


"AND MY
EYES...NO ONE
COULD SEE WHAT
I COULD SEE.



"THE BRITISH
HAD REPLACED
THE DUTCH. THEY
CALLED THE CITY
'NEW ESSEX.'

"I WITNESSED
CORRUPTION.
I RETURNED
TO THE SEA...



"...AND CAME BACK.
TO FIND GERMAN
IMMIGRANTS AND THE
WHALING INDUSTRY.

"THEY CALLED IT
'BLUTIGE HAVEN' FOR
ALL THE WHALE BLOOD
IN THE HARBOR.



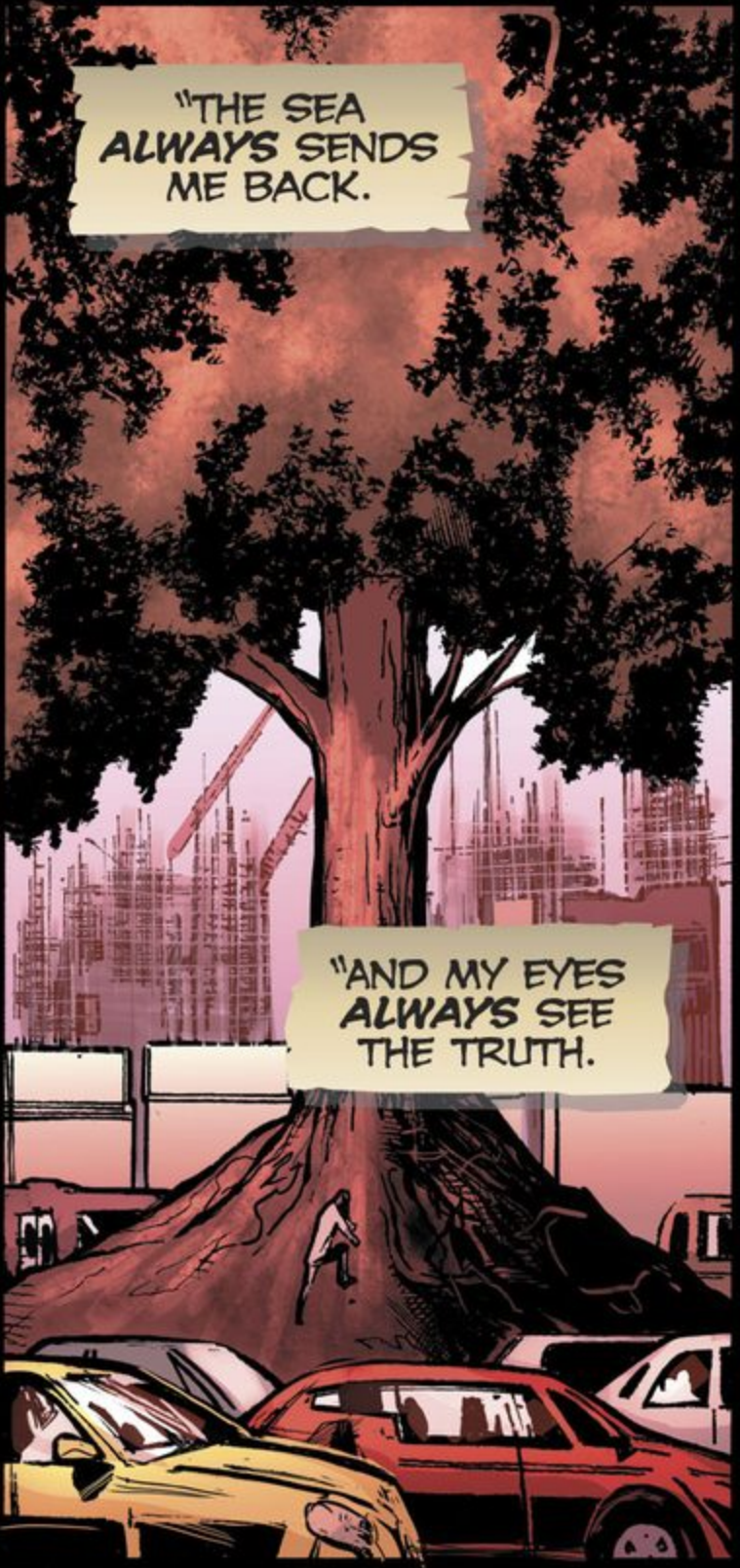
"I RETURNED TO
THE SEA, AND CAME
BACK AGAIN.

"OVER AND
OVER AGAIN.



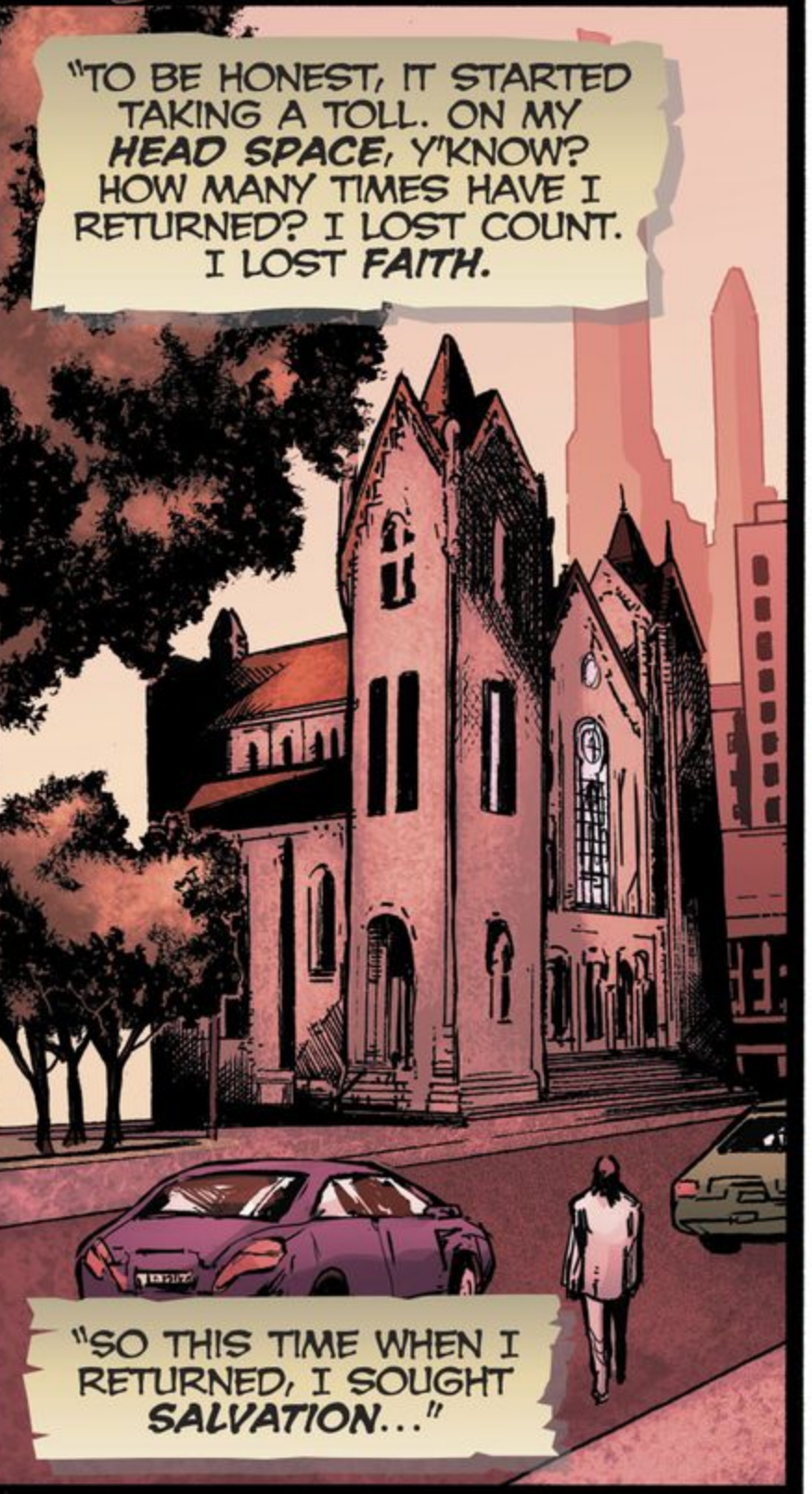
"WHALING,
GAMBLING, DRUGS
ON CAMPUS...

"BLÜDHAVEN
CHANGES. BUT
CORRUPTION
DOES NOT.



"THE SEA
ALWAYS SENDS
ME BACK.

"AND MY EYES
ALWAYS SEE
THE TRUTH.



"TO BE HONEST, IT STARTED
TAKING A TOLL. ON MY
HEAD SPACE, Y'KNOW?
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I
RETURNED? I LOST COUNT.
I LOST FAITH.

"SO THIS TIME WHEN I
RETURNED, I SOUGHT
SALVATION..."

"...AND FOUND IT,
AT SAINT JUDE'S
MONASTERY.

"CAN YOU IMAGINE?
ME, SHACKIN' UP
IN THE HOUSE
OF THE LORD.

"BUT THE MONKS
ACCEPTED ME.
MADE ME ONE OF
THEIR OWN.

"I FOUND SOLACE
IN SERVICE. AND
IN THE LIBRARY,
I FOUND...

"...THE **TRUTH**. CORRUPTION
IS RELENTLESS. AND
I MUST BE THE SAME.

"I MADE A
COMMITMENT.

"TO SEE **ONLY**
CORRUPTION,
UNTIL I COULD SEE
NOTHING AT ALL."

"IMPOSSIBLE!"

☹KOFF☹
YOU'RE NO
IMMORTAL!

PROVE IT!

GIVE
ME A GOLD
POKER CHIP AND
TELL ME WHAT
TO DO!

I'M ONLY AS
IMMORTAL AS
THE CORRUPTION
IN MEN'S
HEARTS.

YOU DON'T
GET ME AT ALL,
DO YOU? WE COULD
BE BROTHERS IN THE
SAME CRUSADE! MAYBE
EVEN A DYNAMIC
DUO...?!

CENTURIES
AGO, THOSE DUTCH
ARISTOCRATS TRIED
TO KILL ME. INSTEAD,
THEY GAVE ME
A GIFT.

THE SEA
CHANGED ME. IT
TURNED ME INTO WHAT
I AM TODAY. A MAN OF
VISION. A MAN OF
DEDICATION.

SO NOW,
I AM GOING TO
DO THE SAME TO
YOU. I AM GOING
TO GIVE YOU
A GIFT.

WE ARE
GOING TO FIND
OUT IF THE SEA
WILL TRANSFORM
YOU AS WELL.

YOU'RE
DERANGED---!
☹KHAK☹

YOU
CAN'T SEE
ANYTHING---



I CAN SEE EVERY **CHEAP** PIECE OF PLYWOOD IN THIS HOUSE, EVERY **TIN** NAIL MASQUERADING AS IRON.

CORRUPTION IS EVERYWHERE, KNOW-NOTHING NIGHTWING!

EVEN YOUR TRUSTED FRIEND... **LUCY WEATHERTON**.



FORMERLY KNOWN AS **BABY RUTHLESS!**

QUEEN OF THE **LUCKY LIGHTHOUSE CASINO!**

WHAT?! NO, SHE--



SHE BETRAYED YOU.

WHO ELSE LED YOU INTO MY LITTLE TRAP AT THE HOTEL?



YOU'RE A LIAR--!

SHE PUSHED THE MAYOR TO **SIDELINE** YOU. OH, AND THEN SHE GAVE UP THE MAYOR TO ME!

SEE HOW **BLIND** YOU ARE, BIRD BOY?



GET BACK HERE-- **SKOFF!**

NOOO--

GOOD-BYE, WINGLESS WONDER. MAYBE I'LL SEE YOU AGAIN IN A DECADE OR SO...



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It's a cold week in mid-February and NYC is abuzz! No, it's not because of Fashion Week—it's because of the North American International Toy Fair 2018 and the DC Collectibles showing really heated things up. DC Collectibles showcased a number of exciting new products set to hit stores this year. Below are a few highlights of their 2018 lineup. So keep an eye out for these items as they go on sale throughout the year or pre-order them now at your favorite comics shop.



DOOMSDAY CLOCK ACTION FIGURES

DC Collectibles brings to life the smash-hit comic book series by Geoff Johns and Gary Frank. This action-figure line will start with a DR. MANHATTAN and OZYMANDIAS 2-pack, with more pairings to come.

NEW ARTISTS ALLEY STATUES

Next in line at DC Artists Alley is artist, comics creator and graphic designer HaiNaNu "Nooligan" Saulque's unique visions of BATMAN, THE JOKER and HARLEY QUINN in 6.75" designer vinyl. Both the full-color and black-and-white variants are limited.



DC CORE PVC STATUES

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